

*Inauguration  
of  
President  
Terrence A. Gomes*

*Roxbury Community College*



TENTH of OCTOBER  
TWO THOUSAND THREE



## President Terrence A. Gomes, Ed.D.

Terrence A. Gomes, or "Terry", as he prefers to be called, earned his Bachelor of Arts from Lincoln University and a Master of Arts from Rhode Island College. In 1979, Gomes earned a Doctor of Education from Nova University, with postdoctoral studies at Harvard University's Institute for the Management of Lifelong Education.



Dr. Gomes' professional career is punctuated by education from his earliest days as an instructor of Social Studies and Science in New Bedford, Massachusetts in the late sixties to his appointment as Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs at Roxbury Community College in 2002.

By the early seventies Dr. Gomes' leadership skills were evident when he was appointed chair of one of Bristol Community College's largest departments, History and Social Sciences. In 1977, Dr. Gomes came to Roxbury Community College as the Assistant Dean of Faculty, where he was actively involved in the development of academic programs and policies, as well as the implementation of academic standards. During this period Dr. Gomes also served as the Divisional Chair of Liberal Arts at Roxbury Community College. In 1979, Dr. Gomes returned to Bristol Community College as Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs where he was involved in every aspect of the academic administration of the College.

In 1982, Dr. Gomes was appointed Dean of Continuing Education at Massasoit Community College. While at Massasoit, Gomes held a variety of progressively more responsible positions including: Dean of Faculty and Instruction, Vice President of Faculty and Instruction, and in 1999 was appointed Vice President of Institutional Planning and Development. As the chief academic officer, Gomes was responsible for the overall planning, development, coordination and administration of all academic programs with more than 250 part-time and full-time faculty.



In the summer of 2002, Dr. Gomes was recruited to serve as Interim Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs at Roxbury Community College. During his tenure as Interim Executive Vice President, Dr. Gomes provided overall leadership for curriculum development and instruction, lead the College from oral to documented policies and procedures, focused the College's decision-making on data based decisions and increased the commitment to instructional technology and distance learning.

Dr. Gomes has a strong commitment to the community serving on a variety of community based boards in southeastern Massachusetts including the People's Savings Bank of Brockton, Growing Minds Institute, Brockton Economic Development Commission, Southeastern Massachusetts Area Health Education Center, Brockton Savings Bank, New Bedford Economic Development Commission, and the Massachusetts Commission for Occupational Education.

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes has been appointed the thirteenth President of Roxbury Community College after a nation-wide search involving over 80 candidates. Dr. Gomes had been serving as the Interim President since February 1, 2003, while the search for a permanent president was being conducted. The process concluded with the unanimous vote by the Board of Trustees for Dr. Gomes on May 27, 2003.

Dr. Gomes plans to make the College a fully comprehensive institution, one that will serve as the hub of the community. His goal is to remake the College into the focal point for area neighborhoods, with cultural and job-training programs, and classes for the community ranging from the very young to senior citizens.

Dr. Gomes resides in New Bedford with his wife Dianne, an educator in the New Bedford school system, and youngest daughter, Terianne. His other two daughters, Michelle and Raegen, are married and live in Massachusetts and New York, respectively.

# Inauguration Program

## Prelude

On This Day Earth Shall Ring by Gustav Holst  
music provided by Dr. John Weekes

## Inaugural Choir

Roxbury Community College Student Dance Assembly with  
OrigiNation Drum Assembly, NIA Dance Troop

## Order of Processional

College Marshall

Inaugural Planning Committee

Faculty, Librarians and Administrators

Delegates from Colleges and Universities

Student Government Association Representatives

## Platform Guests

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes, President

Dr. Phillip Clay, Chair, Board of Trustees

Members of the Board of Trustees

Mr. Robert W. Williams, Chair, Roxbury Community College Foundation

Dr. Judith Gill, Chancellor Board of Higher Education

Representative, Governor's Office

Representative, Mayor's Office

Richard Eells, Faculty Representative

Abeba Attles, Student Government President

Richard Taylor, Hubbie Jones, Doris Bunte, Community Representatives

## Presiding

Dr. Phillip Clay, Chair, Roxbury Community College Board of Trustees

## Presentation of International Flags

## Posting of Colors

## America the Beautiful

Michelle D. Gomes Vinagre  
and Antone Barrett

## Invocation

Reverend Jeffrey Williams, Cathedral of Life,  
Providence, Rhode Island  
Reverend Michael Walker, Messiah Baptist Church,  
Brockton, Massachusetts

## Presidential Charge

Dr. Phillip Clay, Chair  
Roxbury Community College Board of Trustees  
Mr. Robert A. Williams, Chair  
Roxbury Community College Foundation

## Greetings

Representative, Governor's Office  
Representative, Mayor's Office  
Dr. Judith Gill, Chancellor, Board of Higher Education  
Richard Eells, Faculty Representative, Roxbury Community College  
Abeba Attles, Student Government Association Representative  
Richard Taylor, Hubbie Jones, Doris Bunte, Community Representatives

## **Special Presentation**

Deans of Roxbury Community College, Dr. Everest Onuoha,  
Dr. Jose Alicea, JoAnn Mulready-Shick, Chiso Okafor-Ndukwe

## **Musical Selection**

Cynthia Miles Gray

## **Presidential Investiture**

Dr. Judith Gill, Chancellor, Massachusetts Board of Higher Education

## **Presidential Medallion Presentation**

Dr. Judith Gill, Chancellor

## **Message**

Dr. Randolph W. Bromery

## **Presidential Address**

Dr. Terrence A. Gomes

## **Musical Selection**

Cynthia Miles Gray

## **Concluding Remarks**

Dr. Phillip Clay, Chair, Roxbury Community College Board of Trustees

## **Benediction**

Reverend Dr. Michael Ellis

## **Recessional**

March and Procession by Bacchus Leo Delibes  
Brandenburg Concerto #6 J.S. Bach

## **Reception**

Immediately following the ceremony

# Massachusetts Board of Higher Education

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M. Howard Jacobson

Aaron D. Spencer

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Richard Taylor

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Dr. Judith Gill

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Community Representative

Sylvia A. McDowell



# College and University Delegates

**1636**

Harvard University  
J. Louis Newell  
Harvard Alumni Association

**1754**

Teachers College-Columbia University  
Prof. Robert I. Sperber, Alumni

**1839**

Framingham State College  
President Helen Heineman

**1840**

Bridgewater State College  
President Dana Mohler-Faria

**1863**

Boston College  
Senior Vice President James P. McIntyre

**1873**

Massachusetts College of Art  
President Katherine Sloan

**1894**

Fitchburg State College  
President Robert V. Antonucci

**1894**

Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts  
Treasurer Gerald F. Desmarais

**1894**

University of Massachusetts-Lowell  
Provost John Wooding

**1895**

University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth  
Chancellor Jean F. MacCormack

**1899**

Mount Ida College  
President Carol J. Matteson

**1899**

Simmons College  
President Daniel S. Cheever, Jr.  
Elizabeth B. Rowllins, Ed.D.

**1908**

Benjamin Franklin Institute of Technology  
President Richard K. Fields

**1945**

Berklee College of Music  
President Lee Eliot Berk

**1947**

Holyoke Community College  
Vice President Clifford S. Williams

**1961**

Cape Cod Community College  
President Kathleen Schatzberg

**1961**

Northern Essex Community College  
President David Hartleb

**1961**

Massachusetts Bay Community College  
President Lindsay D. Norman

**1962**

Greenfield Community College  
President Robert L. Pura

**1963**

Mount Wachusett Community College  
President Daniel M. Asquino  
Director John T. Fielding

**1964**

University of Massachusetts-Boston  
Chancellor Jo Ann M. Gora

**1965**

Bristol Community College  
President John J. Sbrega

**1965**

North Shore Community College  
President Wayne M. Burton

**1966**

Massasoit Community College  
President Charles Wall  
President (Retired) Gerald F. Burke  
Ralph Mitchell, President Advisory Council

**1967**

Springfield Technical Community College  
Assistant to the President Michael J. Suzor

**1970**

Middlesex Community College  
President Carole A. Cowan

**1971**

Cambridge College  
President Mahesh C. Sharma

**1976**

University of Phoenix  
Vice President Jacquelyn D. Armitage

**1993**

Urban College of Boston  
President Linda Edmonds Turner  
Dean Sheila Taylor-King

# Presidential Inauguration Committee

Dr. Everest Onuoha, Convener

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Ken Hall

Fred Tahmasian

Marshall Hughes

Craig Zaehring

## Special Thanks

Daly Arrival Limousine

City Fresh Foods

Jules Catering

The Enchanted Garden

Best Western Inn at Longwood

Paul Revere Transportation

# Academic Heraldry

## The Mace and Presidential Medallion

The mace, once an instrument of medieval close combat, has come to symbolize the entity that is the college or university. Many institutions, eager to engage in the pageantry of the earliest academies, have adapted the mace as a ceremonial staff borne at the head of processions traditionally marking the beginning of an inauguration, convocation or commencement. It features both the seals of college and of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

The presidential medallion symbolizes the power, responsibility and sanctity of the office of the president and is typically reserved for ceremonial occasions.

## Academic Costume

The caps and gowns featured in the academic procession date back to the Middle ages, when they were common dress. Everyone — men and women, royalty and peasantry — wore long-flowing robes, and the king decreed what quality of apparel was to be worn by whom. For academics, donning the cap and gown was both ceremonial and practical: The particular variety worn was not only a mark of distinction for the academic elite, but also was fashioned to insulate the scholar from the damp drafty castles and reading halls of the 12th century. The hood first appeared as a separate article of clothing in the 13th century, and by the 1600s, much like the gown, ceased to be worn by all but legal, official, academic and clerical personages.

College and University statutes aimed at distinguishing the faculties and degrees of learning have traditionally prescribed the parameters by which academic regalia are worn. In today's academic procession, the costumes not only contribute pageantry and color to the celebration, but also provide information about the academic status of the wearer. The cap, or mortarboard, is worn by all academics upon occasion, but only those who hold an academic degree are permitted to wear the tassel to the left. Gowns are of three basic patterns: the bachelor's gown, of unadorned black and with pointed sleeves; the master's gown, also of unadorned black but with oblong sleeves, open at the wrist and square cut; and the doctor's gown, velvet-faced, with bell-shaped sleeves and bars of color.

Hoods, too, are of three basic shapes and lengths, corresponding to the degree held by the wearer. Their binding or trim is colored to indicate the department or faculty to which the degree pertains, while the lining is decorated in the colors of the institution that awarded the degree.



# Roxbury Community College

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Prof. Virgilio Acevedo  
Prof. Yvonne Achilles  
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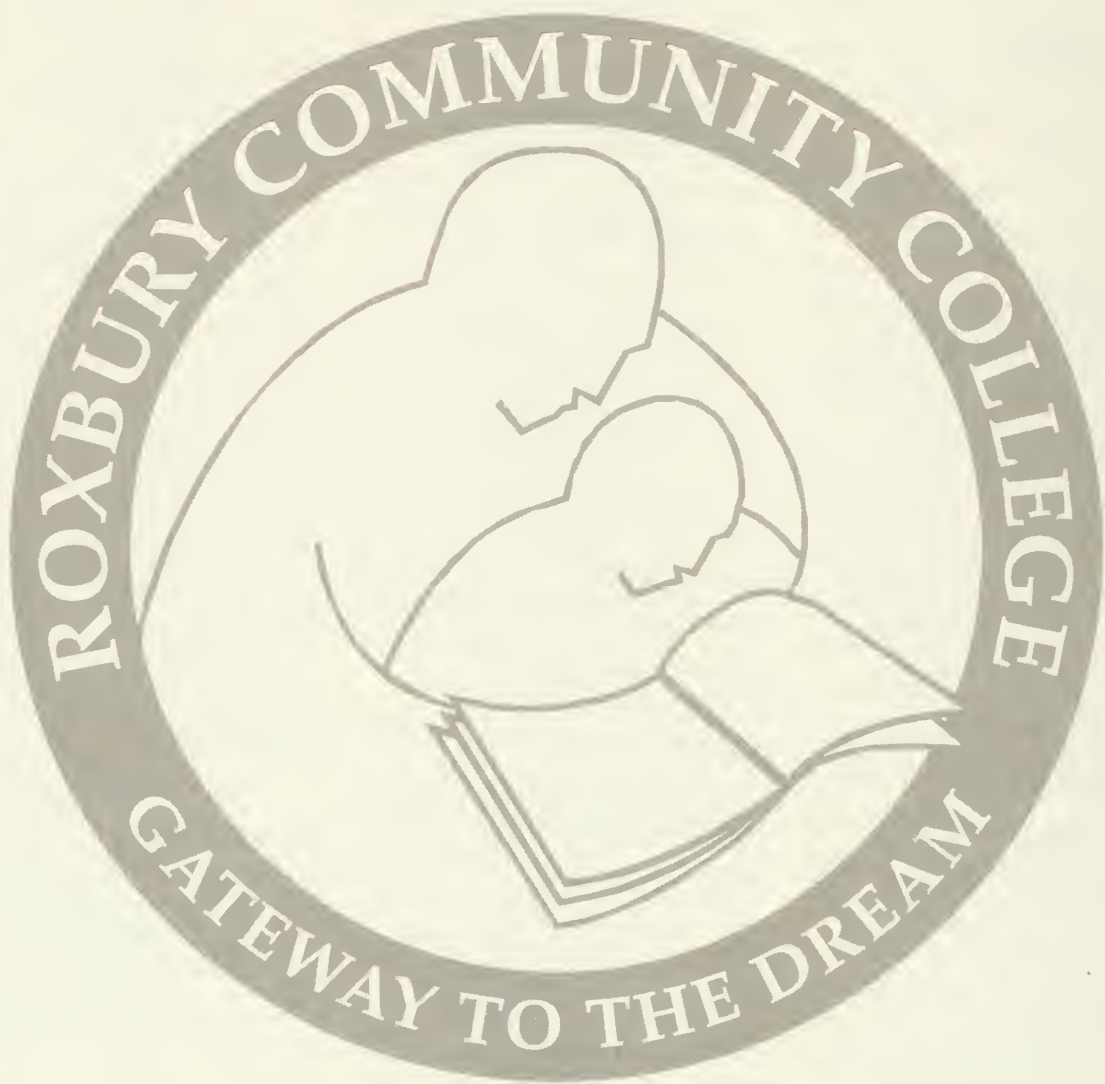
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